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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yasuhito KOIKE et al.

Appln. No.: 10/615,825

Group Art Unit: 3683

Filed: July 10, 2003

Examiner: M. Torres

For: BRAKE DRUM FOR WET-TYPE BAND BRAKE DRUM AND
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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REQUEST TO VACATE OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

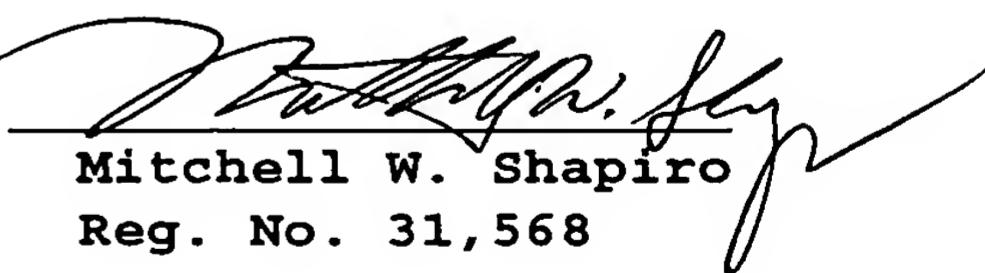
Applicants respectfully request that the Office Action
mailed May 21, 2004, be vacated in view of the Response
filed May 19, 2004. Alternatively, the May 19, 2004,
Response may be treated as a response to the May 21, 2004,
action if deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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